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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed November 6, 2002, in the above-identified application. This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. If any extension of time is required to consider this response, such extension is hereby requested.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Please amend this application as follows.

In the Claims

Please amend claims as follows:

Dr. Robert

33. ³² (TWICE AMENDED) A method of forming a filtration media array comprising

the steps of: